

Wall-Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce

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Schedule of Events

November 1 VFW BINGO 2 PM, WCC

November 5
Wall City Council Meeting
6:30 PM, WCC

November 10 Wall Community Blood Drive 1:45 PM, WCC

November 11 Wall City Offices CLOSED

> November 15 VFW BINGO 2 PM, WCC

November 16 Feeding SD Food Distribution 12 PM, School Bus Garage

November 17 Wall Ambulance Board Meeting 6 PM, Wall Fire Hall

November 18 WEDC Annual Meeting 6 PM, WCC

November 19 Wall City Council Meeting 6:30 PM, WCC

November 26
Wall City Offices CLOSED



Wall Satellite Office

OPEN: November 4 & 18 9 AM-11:30 AM & 12:30 PM-3:30 PM

Chamber Waives 2021 Membership Dues

The Wall-Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce recognizes the hardships the community has faced due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Chamber is extremely proud and grateful that Chamber Members adjusted day -to-day operations and thought of unique ways to continue providing services to our community and visitors.

With all of this in mind, the Chamber Board of Directors moved to waive all dues for current Business, Non-profit, Associate, Government and Individual members. The Chamber encourages you to reinvest those monies into your local economy.

We look forward to serving you again this year. If you have any questions please call the Chamber office at 605-279-2665 or e-mail us at wallchamber@gwtc.net.

New 2021 Minimum Wage Announced

The U.S. Department of Labor announced the new 2021 minimum wage. The minimum wage is annually adjusted by any increase in cost of living in conjunction with the Consumer Price Index.

NON-TIPPED EMPLOYEES

The minimum wage for non-tipped employees in South Dakota is \$9.30/ hour (effective Jan. 1, 2020). Beginning Jan. 1, 2021, the minimum wage for non-tipped employees in South Dakota will be \$9.45/hour. (2020 - MW \$9.30/ hour)

TIP CREDIT (TIPPED EMPLOYEES)

Beginning Jan. 1, 2021, the hourly minimum wage for tipped employees will be no less than \$4.725/hour. (2020- MW \$4.65/hour)

The employer must make sure the employees receive no less than the current minimum wage and must keep a record of all tips received by employees.

Dear Wall-Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce Members.

The Chamber proudly serves 129 members within the Wall area. We encourage you, as Members, to use the Chamber as a resource to promote your business/organization information and events. In order to ensure your information will be promoted through the Chamber's advertising outlets please be sure to submit your information to the Chamber office before the deadlines listed below.

Deadlines for Chamber Advertising Outlets:

- Weekly Email Blast (Thursday)- 12:00 PM Wednesday
- Weekly Radio News Report on KBHB Radio (Wednesday)- 12:00 PM Tuesday
- Monthly Newsletter- 4:30 PM on the 25th of the month
- Social Media- 7 days before desired date to post
- Website- 7 days before desired date to post

Thanks again for being a Member of the Wall-Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce! We look forward to working with you!

Wall-Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce Meeting Minutes October 13, 2020 Noon Luncheon Via Zoom

Wall-Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce Board President Dustin Curr called the meeting to order at 12:01 PM. Anne Jo Spotted Bear moved to approve meeting minutes from the September Chamber Luncheon. Second made by Charon Geigle. Motion carried. Liliya Stone moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. Second made by Anne Jo Spotted Bear. Motion carried. Dustin announced upcoming events in the Wall community.

Wall-Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce: Kelsey Clark: Information was emailed to Chamber members today regarding the South Dakota Small Business Grant Program. All businesses are encouraged to apply for the grant; monies awarded to businesses must be spent by December 31, 2020. The Chamber Board has decided to cancel Wall in the Fall. The Wall Community Center Committee has decided to cancel the 2020 Wall Community Center Craft Show. The South Dakota Governor's Conference on Tourism will be held January 20-21, in Pierre. The conference will be a hybrid of limited in-person attendance as well as a virtual option.

Wall Economic Development: Liliya Stone: Wall Economic Development's 5th Annual Meeting will be held on November 18 in the Wall Community Center; Elevate Rapid City CEO Tom Johnson will be the guest speaker. The Wall City Council has approved a discretionary formula that will give a tax break to industrial and commercial businesses with new development or additions. Badlands Harley-Davidson has closed for the season. A ribbon cutting was held for the new bike repair station.

Rodeo Booster Club: Dawn Hilgenkamp: The annual fundraiser that was held on October 3 was a success, the Rodeo Club auctioned off signs that hang in the rodeo arena and raised \$13,000. Plans are moving forward for the PRCA Rodeo to be held next summer during the Wall Celebration.

Wall School District: Dan Baldwin: The school closure that occurred on Monday, October 5 was staff related, particularly in the kitchen. Good news, the school has received applications to fill substitute positions in the kitchen and classroom. There have only been about 5 students and 5 teachers who have had COVID-19 in the school over the past few weeks.

Golden West: Jody Bielmaier: The Golden West Annual Meeting was held on September 26 in the Wall School to allow more room for social distancing. The annual meeting was successful with 219 registered members in attendance. Thank you to those who attended the meeting and to the businesses who served the meal after the meeting. Congratulations to Tanner Handcock for being elected to the board.

West River Electric: Dawn Hilgenkamp: The WREA Annual Meeting will be held Saturday, October 17 at the Wall School to allow for COVID-19 safety measures. Registration will begin at 9 AM with the meeting beginning at 10 AM. Meal tickets will be handed out at the meeting. Three seats on the board are up for election this year; incumbent board members Jerry Hammerquist and Larry Eisenbraun are running unopposed while Chuck Sloan will be running against incumbent Mick Trask for District 2.

Wheelin' to Wall: Charon Geigle: The 4th Annual Wheelin' to Wall was very successful. There were 110 registered participants who represented 8 states. Plans are already underway for the 2021 event; Charon's goal is to have 200 participants and she is considering hosting a 2-day event. Wheelin' to Wall is a fund raiser to improve the walking and biking in the Wall-Badlands Area. A self-repair bike station has been installed in front of the Wall Community Library.

With no other business, Jody Bielmaier moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:20 PM. Second by Dawn Hilgenkamp. Motion carried. The next Wall-Badlands Area Chamber Luncheon will be held on Monday, November 9.

Country Cupboard Food Pantry

Open the1st, 2nd & 3rd Wednesday of the month from 1 PM-4 PM as well as the 2nd & 3rd Saturday of the month from 9 AM-11 AM

Promote Local Spending this Holiday Season!

The CHAMBER HOLIDAY SWEEPSTAKES is back! The CHAMBER HOLIDAY SWEEPSTAKES offers WALL BUCK\$ as great prizes for those who shop and buy local at participating Chamber businesses from Monday, November 16 through Thursday, December 31.

Chamber member businesses will be provided with CHAMBER HOLIDAY SWEEPSTAKES cards to give to shoppers. Businesses will initial the card for every \$10 the shopper spends in businesses; each single purchase is limited to \$500. When a shopper's card is full, they should fill out the information on the back and drop it in a drop box at various locations. Then, the shoppers get a new card and repeat!



Participating businesses will be provided with CHAMBER HOLIDAY SWEEPSTAKES cards, a drop box (if desired) and a special pen to authenticate the businesses initials.

The CHAMBER HOLIDAY SWEEPSTAKES is offered to Wall-Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce members. The CHAMBER HOLIDAY SWEEPSTAKES aligns with the Chamber's goal of promoting Chamber members, community growth and local shopping. Cards should be submitted by December 31; drawing will be held on January 5 via Facebook Live Video.

If you have any questions please contact the Chamber office at 279-2665.



WALL-BADLANDS AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

2020 Board of Directors:

Dustin Curr — President

Bruce Dunker —Vice President

Janet Lurz —Treasurer

Anne Jo Spotted Bear

Cindy Hauk

Gordy Kraut

Kim Handcock

Lindsy Reagle

Terry Mohr

2020 Luncheon Locations:

Jan-Red Rock Feb-Red Rock

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March-Red Rock

June-Zoom

July-Zoom

Sept-Zoom

Oct-ZOOM

Nov-ZOOM

Dec-TBD

The November Noon
Luncheon will be held on
Monday, November 9
via Zoom.

2020 Wall-Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce Membership

3 Amigos Cantina

4th Ave. Floral & Gifts

Agro Eco Power

American Legion Post 246

Americas Best Value Inn

Anderson Investments

Ann's Motel

Arneson Auction Services

Arrow Campground

Ascend Ag, Inc.

Badlands Automotive

Badlands Cedar Pass Lodge

Badlands Harley-Davidson

Badlands Helicopters

Badlands Inn

Badlands Motel & Campground

Badlands National Park

Badlands Natural History Association

Badlands Outpost

Badlands Quilters

Badlands Saloon & Grille

Badlands Trading Post

Badlands White River KOA

Best Western Plains Motel

Bethel Church

Bev Dartt

Bill Bielmaier

Black Hills & Badlands Tourism Assoc.

Black Hills Federal Credit Union

Black Hills Parks & Forests

Broken Arrow Trading Company

Candee Kitterman

Circle View Guest Ranch

Common Cents

Community Education of the Black Hills

Corner Pantry/Subway

Cornerstone Industries

Country Cupboard Food Pantry

Crazy Horse Memorial

Creative Community Concepts

Crew Agency

Cristina Nesseth

Crown Oil

Cutting Edge Salon

Dakota Mill & Grain

Dakota Safaris

Dakota Sky Stone

Dawn Hilgenkamp

Days Inn

De's Oil & Propane

Deni Amundson

East Pennington County Ambulance Dist. East Pennington County Conservation Dist.

East Pennington County Transit

EconoLodge

EDWARD JONES/Hal Bailey

EDWARD JONES/Tyler T. Trevillyan

Evangelical Free Bible Church

Farm Bureau Financial Services

First Interstate Bank

First Lutheran Church

Frontier Cabins

Gold Diggers

Golden West Telecommunications

Harlan & Lori Walker

Helen Crawford

Hillcrest Motel

Hub International Insurance

Juanita Schroeder

Jonny Creighton Winn

Karen Soderquist Team/ ReMax Results

Kari Welsh

Keith Bagley

Larry Eisenbraun

M & M Sales

Mary Williams

Mike Nesseth

Minuteman Missile NHS

Niki Mohr

Pat Hustead

Patty Coleman

Penn.-Jackson Farm Bureau

Pennington County Commissioners

Pennington County Courant

Pioneer Auto Show & Prairie Town

Prairie Homestead

Quinn VFW

Red Rock Restaurant & Lounge Robert Sharp & Associates

Rod Renner

Ron Dinger Rush Funeral Home Sander Sanitation Service

Sarah Hustead Schaeffer's Specialized Lubricants

Shearer's Western Dakota Ranch Vac.
Singing Horse Trading Post

Sleepy Hollow RV Park

St. Patrick's Catholic Church

Stacy Kitterman

Sue's Avon

Sunshine Inn

Super 8

SWIFTEC Inc.

Terry Mohr

Tessa Gewerth

Thompson Tactical

Travelodge

Triangle B&B

Treat U Boutique

USDA Forest Service/Natl. Grasslands

Wall Auto Livery

Wall Building Center & Construction

Wall Community Library

Wall Dairy Queen

Wall Drug Store

Wall Dlug Stole

Wall Eagles Live/Live Ticket Wall Economic Development

Wall Food Center

Wall Golf Association

Wall Meat Processing Plant

Wall Regional Medical Clinic

Wall Rodeo Booster Club

Wall School District #51-5

Wall United Methodist Church Waste Connections

Windy Edge Homestead

Welsh's Motel
West River Electric Association

Wheelin' to Wall

Wounded Knee Museum

Check out our website for a list of business closures and announcements: www.wall-badlands.com/closures